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MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID AARON

FROM:

Denis Clift

SUBJECT:

The Vice President's Meeting with President

Videla of Argentina

As background for General Goodpaster's briefing prior to his departure for Argentina this evening, either you or Lloyd Cutler may wish to show him the attached summary of the Vice President's meeting with Videla in Rome on September 4, 1978. That was a very important meeting for Videla. It came at a time when our relations were deteriorating rapidly. It helped to reverse that trend, leading to Argentina's agreement to receive the Inter-American Human Rights Commission.

I was the only other participant with the Vice President on the U.S. side in that meeting. If you wish to have any further information, please let me know.

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